

## Message Text

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SUBJ: VEHICLE NEEDS FOR NARCOTICS CONTROL UNIT

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1. WITH THE TRANSFER OF NCU TO THE EMBASSY, IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF VEHICLE TRANSPORT TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM. AS NOTED IN THE REFERENCES, THE EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT MOTOR POOL CAPACITY TO SUPPORT THE GROWING NCU PROGRAM. WHILE USAID CAN ASSIST DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD (TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1978) THEY TOO HAVE LIMITED CAPACITY AND CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE FOR THIS NEED INDEFINITELY.

2. GIVEN THE LENGTHY SHIPPING TIME TO LA PAZ, ACTION FOR PROCUREMENT SHOULD BE TAKEN AT ONCE. WE REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT PROCURE ONE 4-WHEEL DRIVE CHEVROLET CARRYALL (SUBURBAN TYPE) WITH AIR CONDITIONING (NEEDED DUE TO TROPICAL AREA TRAVEL AND EXTREMELY DUSTY ROADS). SAID VEHICLE SHOULD BE SHIPPED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER TO ALLOW IT TO ARRIVE EARLY IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. THE VEHICLE WILL BE EARMARKED FOR NCU USE AND SHOULD BE AN AUTHORIZED ADDITION TO OUR CURRENT FLEET.

3. WE FURTHER REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE AN ADDITIONAL FSL POSITION FOR THE EMBASSY IN ORDER TO  
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OBTAINT A DRIVER FOR THE NCU VEHICLE.

4. THE NEED FOR THE VEHICLE AND DRIVER WILL PRESENTLY BECOME ACUTE. THE NCU PROGRAM HAS GROWN RAPIDLY IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS AND IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE TO GROW FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. TRAVEL NEEDS, THEREFORE WILL INCREASE DRAMATICALLY AND MOST MUST BE DONE

BY VEHICLE INTO THE TROPICAL COCA GROWING AREAS OVER  
ROUGH, DUSTY ROADS.  
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